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Update for AIDS Drug Assistance Program (9 AAC 6, Article 4)

The Department has amended the rules for the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) in Title 9, Chapter 6, Article 4 to:

- Add definitions;
- Clarify the application process and notification requirements;
- Specify that individuals enrolled in ADAP, primary care providers, and case managers must notify the Department of specific changes that may affect eligibility or the Department's ability to contact the individual or primary care provider;
- Address changes that have occurred in the program with respect to the implementation of Medicare Part D and the use of a vendor pharmacy for drug distribution;
- Specify the conditions for provisional enrollment;
- Specify the requirements for distribution of prescription drugs, including the requirements for the vendor pharmacy;
- Specify how restricted drugs may be requested; and
- Address the circumstances under which the Department's approval of a restricted drug may be terminated.

The Department submitted a Notice of Final Rulemaking for the ADAP rules to the Governor's Regulatory Review Council, which reviewed and approved the rulemaking at a meeting on September 11, 2007. The Notice of Final Rulemaking for the ADAP rules should be published in the *Arizona Administrative Register* on October 5, 2007. The new rules will be effective on November 10, 2007.